

Mission

To instill hope, inspire change, and build community

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Update for 2018

Penn Foundation Growing to Meet Community Need

- Penn Foundation has expanded its outpatient drug and alcohol treatment services with the opening of two new offices: Opened in July, the 2,150 square foot office in Colmar provides drug and alcohol assessments, outpatient counseling, intensive outpatient services, and medication-assisted treatment. In the first week alone, 25 individuals were taken off a wait-list and received care.
- Opened in September, the 6,000 square foot office in Sellersville, located adjacent to the main Penn Foundation campus, includes two floors – the first floor is clinical space for an alcohol-specific outpatient treatment program and the second floor is administrative space that has helped to relieve space constraints throughout the main campus.

Penn Foundation Named an Aetna Institute of Quality®

Penn Foundation was designated by Aetna as an Institute of Quality® for Behavioral Health-Substance Abuse for exemplifying excellence in care, a commitment to continuous improvement, meeting certain standards of quality, and cost efficiency.

Through a unique care coordination program with Aetna, Penn Foundation's Peer Support Team Leader, Ryan Schweiger, CPS, CRS, CPRP, provides engagement and peer support to Recovery Center inpatient clients with Aetna insurance. Ryan works closely with the inpatient addiction counselors and an Aetna member advocate to coordinate aftercare and provide resources to individuals and their families.



Ryan Schweiger (right) with Dan, a participant in the Aetna program

Fostering Access to Substance Abuse Treatment to Help Keep Families Intact

Penn Foundation has partnered with Bucks and Montgomery Counties Children and Youth Social Services to embed a Mobile Engagement Specialist (MES) side-by-side with Children and Youth caseworkers in the homes of clients served by the agency. This collaboration aims to reduce out-of-home placements for children, reduce the number of Children and Youth cases opened, and eliminate the wait time for a drug and alcohol assessment, allowing quicker access to treatment. Over the past year, MES has worked with 80 individuals and their families.

Integrating Behavioral Health into Primary Care

Penn Foundation has been collaborating with Family Practice Associates of Upper Dublin (FPUD) to offer behavioral health integration at FPUD's Fort Washington-based primary care practice. This warm handoff model of care offers FPUD's patients immediate access to an onsite behavioral health professional that can provide assessments, short-term interventions, access to psychiatric consultations, and referrals to behavioral health treatment if needed.

Penn Foundation Completes First Year of Teaching Affiliation with Thomas Jefferson University

Penn Foundation completed the first year of its teaching affiliation with Thomas Jefferson University. This innovative partnership offers medical students and psychiatric residents the opportunity to gain experience in a community behavioral health setting.